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SUBJ: REINFORCED NAC ON LOS

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1. PRIOR TO DECEMBER 23 POLADS MEETING, WE TOLD UK DELOFF INFORMALLY THAT US WOULD BE WILLING IN PRINCIPLE TO PARTICIPATE IN A REINFORCED NAC ON LOS IN LATTER PART OF FEBRUARY, I.E. "BACK-TO-BACK" WITH EC-NINE CONSULTATION, AN IDEA INFORMALLY SUGGESTED TO US EARLIER BY A MEMBER OF UK DEL (USNATO 6960).

2. UK REP AT POLADS MEETING, HOWEVER, DID NOT PROPOSE FEBRUARY DATE FOR NAC LOS MEETING AND US REP THEREFORE DID NOT RAISE MATTER. FOLLOWING THE POLADS MEETING, WE ASKED UK DCM LOGAN (WHO IS SLATED TO BECOME HEAD OF BRITISH LOS DEL) ABOUT HIS VIEWS ON POSSIBLE TIMING FOR NAC LOS CONSULTATION. LOGAN PRIVATELY SAID THAT LOS EC-NINE AMBASSADORS WERE NOT PARTICULARLY KEEN TO HAVE NAC MEETING ON LOS BECAUSE THEY BELIEVE THE LAST SUCH SESSION IN EARLY 1975 WAS NOT PARTICULARLY PRODUCTIVE. LOGAN THOUGHT THAT LACK OF ATTENTION TO DEFENSE ISSUES AND DISPROPORTIONATE ROLE PLAYED BY CANADIAN DEL HEAD BEESLEY HAD BEEN NEGATIVE ELEMENTS IN THAT DISCUSSION. LOGAN PERSONALLY FAVORED NAC LOS MEETING BUT THOUGHT ITS PRINCIPAL FOCUS SHOULD BE ON CONFIDENTIAL

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LOS SECURITY ISSUES.

3. LOGAN ADDED THAT PRESENT PLANS NOW CALL FOR THE EC-NINE HEADS OF LOS DELEGATIONS TO MEET IN BRUSSELS JANUARY 20-21,

THOUGH THESE NEW DATES ARE NOT YET FIRM. PLANNED JANUARY
EC-NINE LOS MEETING DID NOT, IN LOGAN'S VIEW, EXCLUDE
POSSIBILITY OF A FURTHER EC-NINE BRUSSELS MEETING ON LOS IN
LATTER PART OF FEBRUARY. HE ALSO THOUGHT LATTER PART OF
FEBRUARY WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE FOR NAC LOS MEETING.

4. COMMENT: WE SHOULD BE PREPARED TO PROPOSE SOON A DATE
FOR NAC LOS CONSULTATION WHICH COULD BE EITHER IN LATE
JANUARY OR LATE FEBRUARY, DEPENDING UPON THE AVAILABILITY OF
US LOS REPS.

5. REQUEST GUIDANCE.BRUCE

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